

## ANNOUNCEMENTS — February 15, 2015

**Welcome to this service of worship.** We are glad you have chosen to be with us. Please sign the friendship register when it is passed. If you are a visitor and would like to know more about our church, speak with the pastor or a deacon following the service or call the church office weekday mornings at 465-7797.

**You are invited to offer prayer requests** using the request cards located in the pew racks. Please give the cards to a deacon at the beginning of the service. Prayer requests may also be made via email to Pastor@HollisChurch.org or to Prayer Chain contact Lydia Schellenberg at 465-2495.

### Activities for the week

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| Sunday, Feb 15 | <b>Mardi Gras Sunday</b>                           |
|                | Worship 9:00 a.m.                                  |
|                | Worship and Sunday School 10:30 a.m.               |
|                | All-Ringers Handbell practice 11:30 a.m.           |
|                | <b>Mardi Gras Pancake Brunch</b> 11:30 a.m.        |
|                | Naomi Circle postponed to Feb. 22                  |
|                | <b>March Chimes deadline</b>                       |
| Monday         | Men's Breakfast at Denny's 7:15 a.m.               |
|                | Ladies' Breakfast at Joey's 8:00 a.m.              |
|                | Trustees meeting 7:00 p.m.                         |
| Tuesday        | Confirmation class 5:00 p.m.                       |
|                | Church Council meeting 7:00 p.m.                   |
| Thursday       | Knitting Group 10:00 a.m.                          |
| Saturday       | <i>Prepared to Serve</i> UCC workshops in Pembroke |
| Sunday, Feb 22 | Missionary Allison Stendahl, guest speaker         |
|                | Worship 9:00 a.m.                                  |
|                | Worship / NO Sunday School 10:30 a.m.              |
|                | Naomi Circle 2:00 p.m.                             |

**The deadline for the March *Chimes* is today, Sunday, February 15.**  
Please submit all articles in writing to the church office or via email to [churchoffice@hollischurch.org](mailto:churchoffice@hollischurch.org).



### **You are invited!**

Please join the All-Church fellowship event:



## **Traditional Mardi Gras Pancake Brunch**

**Today at 11:30 am  
in Hardy Hall**



**Wear your beads!  
All are welcome!  
(no sign-up necessary)**



### **Support our Mission Trip crew!**

**Mission Trip Quilt** – *Last chance to get your raffle tickets!* The beautiful handmade quilt will be raffled at the Mardi Gras Brunch this morning. **Raffle tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5.**

### **Youth Group News!**

On **Sunday, March 8th (1 - 4:30 pm)** the **Junior Youth Group** is excited to support our own performers, Claire Seddon and Devon Kuchta, by attending the matinee of the Junior Actorsingers musical "A Year with Frog and Toad." Advance reservation and ticket purchase will be required. Please contact Carol Birch (860-2178) by **3 pm today**. Responses after that are welcome though the seats may not be with the rest of the group (though fortunately it is a small theater).

### **February Item of the Month: Change for the Penny Pickers!**

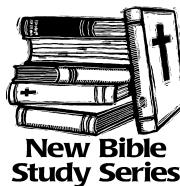
We are **collecting loose change** for *The Front Door Agency*, a local organization whose mission is to "help individuals and families in the greater Nashua area transition from crisis to self-sufficiency by providing a hand-up opportunity to those at risk of homelessness."



**The March-April issues of *The Upper Room*** are now available in regular and large print in the narthex and on the shelf outside the church office.

## **And It Was Good ... A New Adult Study Class**

*And it Was Good*, a four week study arising from the Bible in the life of the Church, will be offered on Tuesday mornings 10:30-11:45 beginning March 3<sup>rd</sup> and ending on March 24th. Specific themes for each week include: *the hope of something new, the place of humanity in the created order, and Jesus-the center and heart of all creation*. We will read the scriptures, reflect on how our understandings can be deepened and answer some questions posed by the study. **If you are interested in attending, please call Bonnie** at 603-247-5489 or email her at Pastor@HollisChurch.org.



**Come and knit with our Knitting Group** this Thursday, February 19, at 10:00 am in the Parkhurst Room. Beginning next month, the Knitters will meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursdays of each month.

| <b>Financial Update:</b> | <u>Through 2/13/15</u> | <u>2015 Budget</u> |
|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|
| 2015 Pledges             | \$ 23,036              | \$ 240,000         |
| Loose Offering           | \$1,808                | \$ 25,000          |
| Budgeted Expenses        | \$ 36,020              | \$ 327,277         |

Collections Feb 8: \$2,650      Pastoral Search Balance: \$9,087

**Boxed Offering Envelopes** for those who made a 2015 pledge and requested envelopes are available for pick-up in the narthex. *This is the final week to pick up your envelopes in the narthex.*

## **♪ Sign up to provide music for 9:00 a.m. worship services.**

Plenty of opportunities are available in 2015! Sign up on the sheets posted on the church bulletin board. Contact Dee Wagner with questions: 465-2562 or billdee.wagner159@gmail.com.

## **AN OPPORTUNITY ... to learn and become a member**

Have you ever wondered about our church, the UCC, what it means to be a member? A class will be offered for anyone interested in learning more and possibly joining the church. We will meet in Emerson Chapel after the 10:30 worship service on **Sunday, March 8**. Please contact Bonnie at 603-247-5489 or email her at Pastor@HollisChurch.org if you are interested.



**The 2015 Flower Calendar** is posted on the bulletin board outside Bonnie's office and still has plenty of dates available! Please consider signing up to sponsor the flowers at Sunday worship. Just write your name and telephone number beside your chosen date; then take a reminder / instruction notice with you.

These **weekly announcements**, the calendar of church activities, and *Chimes* newsletter are all **available on our website** at [www.hollischurch.org](http://www.hollischurch.org). Check it out!

